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National 4-H Power of Youth

From Ms. Vickie

4-H'ers don't let anything get them down, including hurricanes. Although the Santa Rosa County Fair was cancelled we were able to set up and judge exhibits. This just goes to prove how dedicated and determined our 4-H leaders, members and parents are. Dedication, determination and follow-through are just three of the qualities we foster in the 4-H program.

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Results of Santa Rosa

Congratulations to all who entered exhibits in the Santa Rosa County Fair. We may have been rained out but we were able to set-up exhibits and have them judged. Congratulations go to:

Senior Club Booth Junior Club Booths

1st River Sprites1st 5th H2nd Citizenship Club2nd Royal Pride3rd Royal Pride Seniors3rd River Spirits

Cloverbuds

1st Shepherds Way

2nd Pace Heroes

3rd Royal Pride

Special Awards

Best Overall Youth Exhibit – 5th H Best Environmental = Royal Pride Juniors

Individual Exhibits Sweepstakes Awards

Senior Junior

1stSeth Holland1stJeremiah Shultz2ndMaggie Salter2ndRandi Nalls3rdCara Smyly3rdJessica McCurdy

Pensacola Interstate Fair

All Santa Rosa County 4-H members are invited to enter exhibits in the Pensacola Interstate Fair. A Fair exhibit form is included in this newsletter. The form lists all the divisions and classes that you may enter. Please complete the form and take it with you to the Pensacola Fair to enter your exhibits. Remember, all 4-H exhibits must be entered by 5:00 pm on Wednesday ,October 16th. Please arrive early enough to allow time to enter your exhibits.

Consumer Judging Contest

All Santa Rosa County 4-H Juniors and Seniors are invited to participate in the Consumer Choices Contest on Saturday, October 19th at the Langley Bell 4-H Center in Escambia County.

Consumer Judging Workshop

To learn all about Consumer Judging plan to attend the 4-H Discovery/Expo Day on Wednesday, October 9th at the Santa Rosa County Auditorium. The Consumer Judging workshop will be from 10:00 am - 12 Noon and again at 4:00 - 5:00 pm.

4-H Record and Project Books

There was an error in the last newsletter. There were two dates listed as the deadline to turn in 4-H Record and Projects Books. The deadline will be Friday, November 1st. This should give you plenty of time to complete and submit your records. Remember that in order to receive awards at the annual 4-H Recognition Program you must submit your 4-H Project and/or 4-H Record Books.

4-H Record and Project Book Workshop

A workshop on how to complete 4-H Record Books and Project Books will be conducted during the 4-H Discovery/ Expo Day on Wednesday, October 9th from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm at the Santa Rosa County Auditorium.

National 4-H Week

Help us celebrate and promote National 4-H Week October 6-12. The last page of this newsletter has a poster that you can post on a bulletin board or other public place such as your school classroom, church or in local businesses or offices. PLEASE REMEMBER to get permission to post the poster first and to write a thank you to the person who allows you to put up the poster.

This is a great way to let others know about 4-H. Also, you might want to plan a special 4-H Club activity or do something special at your school or church.

4-H Discovery/ Expo Day

We will be celebrating National 4-H Week with a special 4-H Discovery/ Expo Day. All 4-H members, leaders and parents are invited to attend. Cloverbud members must be accompanied by a parent, leader or guardian. There will be no charge, but bring a sack lunch, drinks and snacks. See the attached flyer for more information. A fun filled day of 4-H workshops and programs will be conducted on:

Wednesday, October 9th at the Santa Rosa County Auditorium from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

County Commissioners Recognize 4-H

In observance of National 4-H Week a resolution/proclamation will be presented at the County Commissioners Meeting on Thursday, October 10th at approximately 9:30 am, at the County Commissioners Board Room in the Santa Rosa County Administrative Complex located behind McDonald's in Milton. We invite all 4-H members, leaders and parents to attend. If you plan to attend this special occasion please:

- RSVP Ms. Vickie by Tuesday, October 8th at 623-3868
- Please wear 4-H colors, or a
 4-H T-Shirt and dress nice
- Please arrive by 9:15 am

Those attending may stay for long as they like, or leave following the 4-H Resolution, which will be completed approximately by 10:00 am.



LOOKING AND PLANNING AHEAD

District I Council Meeting

The next meeting of the District I 4-H Council will be held on Saturday, October 19th from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm at the Langley Bell 4-H Center. Any 4-H member may attend and all District Council Officers should plan to attend.

Money for College?

Need money for college? Learn all about college scholarships, financial aid and college options from an expert. Captain David Timberlake, USN Retired, is a former Human Resources Director and has worked with both UWF and PJC in the area of admissions, financial aid and scholarships. Captain Timberlake is also a Florida 4-H Hall of Fame member, a Volunteer 4-H Leader, a parent and grandparent of 4-H'ers. He is extremely knowledgeable and willing to share information with 4-H members and their parents.

Captain Timberlake will present two workshops on "Money for College" for middle and high school age youth and their parents:

Tuesday, October 8th
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm
Santa Rosa County Auditorium
Parents are URGED to attend with their
child.

Wednesday, October 9th
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm
Santa Rosa County Auditorium
Aimed more for youth, but parents are invited to attend.



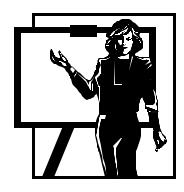
4-H Leader Meeting

All 4-H Leaders and/or those interested in being leaders are invited to attend the 4-H Leader Training on:

> Tuesday, October 8th 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm Santa Rosa County Auditorium

And also on:

Tuesday, October 8th 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm Santa Rosa County Auditorium



Shooting Sports Training

A 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training for Archery, Shotgun and Rifle will be held at Camp Ocala, November 15-17. Adults interested in becoming a certified 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor should call Vickie or Angela by Friday, November 1st for more information.



American Legion Oratorical

The American Legion will be holding their National High School Oratorical Contest in January.

The purpose of The American Legion's National High School Oratorical Contest is to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States by high school students. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties and responsibilities, and the rights and privileges of American citizenship.

For more information contact Ms. Vickie or Ms. Angela at the 4-H Office.

Coming Soon New County Extension Office

We are excited about our upcoming move and should be moving into our new office in December. The new address will be:

> 6263 Dogwood Drive Milton, FL 32570-3500



TEEN TIME NEWS

Teen Court

There will be a training workshop for Teen Court on Wednesday, October 9th from 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon at the Santa Rosa County Auditorium as a part of the 4-H Discovery/ Expo Day. If you are interested in learning more about Teen Court, please plan to attend.

There will also be a "Mock Teen Court" held for training and learning purposes on Monday October 28th, from 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm at the Milton Courthouse.

October dates for Teen Court are:

Monday, October 7th Monday, October 14th Monday, October 21st Monday, October 28th (Mock Teen Court)

November dates for Teen Court are:

Monday, November 4th Monday, November 18th Monday, November 25th

December dates for Teen Court are:

Monday, December 2nd Monday, December 9th Monday, December 16th



4-H Citizenship Club

The 4-H Citizenship Club is open to all middle and high school youth who are interested in learning more about civic education and in serving as Teen Court Volunteers. The next meeting of the 4-H Citizenship Club will be:

Monday, October 28th 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm



Make a Difference Day

4-H Members and Clubs are encouraged to do an activity for "Make A Difference Day" which will be observed on Saturday, October 26th. However, if you are not able to do something on this day you can do your activity on another day. Please call the 4-H Office to let us know what you and/or your club plan to do as a "Make A Difference Day" activity.

Presidential Student Service Award

All 4-H members are encouraged to submit your record of volunteer community service hours for the "Presidential Student Service Award" to the 4-H Office by Friday, November 1st. You may include this as part of your 4-H Record book which is also due on Friday, November 1st.



Literacy Education

The 4-H State Council Community Service Project is "Literacy Education ." 4-H members and clubs are encouraged to do something in this area. Below find some ideas include:

- Read to a younger child
- Read to the elderly or vision impaired
- Collect books and magazines and donate
- Volunteer at your library, school, church, or community
- Visit a Day Care Center and read or do story telling activity
- Make book marks
- Become a reading tutor
- Record books on tape for children or the vision impaired
- Make book folders, games or activities for others
- What's your idea?

Helping the Hungry

The 4-Hers Helping the Hungry continues to be a great community service project that individual members or club groups can do. A few ideas are:

- Collect and donate canned foods to the food bank or needy
- Make/Take a meal to the elderly or shut-in
- Volunteer at a soup kitchen or food bank
- Trick or Treat so Others Can Eat – when trick or treating collect canned goods instead of candy
- What's your idea?





MAKING WAVES IN 4-H



Hello 4-Her's!

Get involved in marine activities!

A significant opportunity for every 4-H group to become involved on a local and national scale will occur on October 18th. National Water Monitoring Day is a nationwide event created to mark the 30th anniversary of the initial passage of the Clean Water Act. The main purpose of the event is to take a snapshot view of streams, lakes and coastal waters throughout the United States by inviting citizen monitors, established volunteer monitoring organizations and federal, state, Tribal and local monitoring program staff to evaluate conditions within their local watersheds.

This national monitoring effort is coordinated by America's Clean Water Foundation (ACWF), in cooperation with several other environmental groups and government agencies across the country. If you are interested in sampling a site for this event, let me know. Sampling can take place from October 12-27th.

Chris Verlinde Marine Agent - Santa Rosa County



Recycling Program

A new recycling program is about to get off the ground in the 2 county area that will help keep fishing line out of area waterways.

Why is it important to keep discarded fishing (or monofilament) line out of our environment? Monofilament line is thin, nearly invisible, strong, and may stay in the environment for as long as 600 years! Monofilament line poses a significant threat to many types of wildlife. It is often difficult to see and birds, mammals, reptiles and fish can easily brush up against it and become entangled. Results of these encounters may lead to injury, disfigurement, drowning, strangulation, or starvation.

Discarded monofilament also impacts boats and humans; people can become tangled in or caught by a hook that may be hidden in discarded line. It can also be a hazard to scuba divers. Boat propellers are frequently fouled with monofilament line. Once entangled the prop may seize up. Line can also enter bilge pumps, water intake valves or wrap around the lower unit.



The recycling stations are made from 6" PVC, mounted on 4 x 4 pressure treated posts, and will be deployed at boat ramps, marinas, and fishing piers. Signs will alert anglers to the recycle efforts and provide quick and easy environmental education. Monofilament is collected from recycling bins and cleaned of hooks, leaders, weights, and trash by volunteers. It is then shipped to the Berkley Pure Fishing Company in Iowa. Berkley melts the line down into raw plastic pellets that can be made into other plastic products including tackle boxes. spools for line, fish habitats, and toys.

Adopting a monofilament recycling station involves monitoring and long-term maintenance of the station.

If you spot wildlife entangled in monofilament, contact the Florida Marine Patrol at 1-888-404-FWCC or 1-888-404-3922.

